COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

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General Services	May 23, 2006	Duane P. Leib			
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(4) SUBJECT					
San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Master Plan Update And Final Environmental					
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Consider the presentations and certify the Environmental Impact Report of the Airport Master Plan and adopt the Final Airport Master Plan Update for San Luis Obispo County Airport.					
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TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: DUANE P. LEIB, GENERAL SERVICES DIRECTOR $oldsymbol{arPhi}$

ELLEN CARROLL, ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR

DATE: MAY 23, 2006

SUBJECT: San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Master Plan Update and

Final Environmental Assessment/Environmental Impact Report

(EA/EIR)

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of General Services and the Environmental Division of the Department of Planning and Building bring before your Board the Final Environmental Assessment/Environmental Impact Report and the Final Airport Master Plan Update for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport.

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopts the following findings with respect to the February, 2006 County Airport Master Plan Final Environmental Impact Report:

- 1. The County Airport Master Plan Final EA/EIR had been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act,
- 2. The County Airport Master Plan Final EA/EIR was presented to the decision-making body of the lead agency, and that the decision-making body reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EA/EIR prior to approving the project, and that
- 3. The County Airport Master Plan Final EA/EIR reflects the lead agency's independent judgment and analysis.

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Adopt the CEQA Required Findings, Adopt the Statement of Overriding Considerations and Certify the Environmental Impact Report for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Master Plan.
- 2. Adopt the Final Airport Master Plan Update for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport.

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DISCUSSION

On January 25, 2005 your Board accepted and filed the final draft of the Master Plan update for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport. This action was a direction to proceed with the Airport Master Plan project and the elements identified therein pending environmental review. The environmental process is now complete and with the findings presented, it is requested that your Board certify the Environmental Impact Report and approve the Final Airport Master Plan update.

Master Plans are used as tools by airports to ensure comprehensive planning for future development. The document is considered essential by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to enable them to evaluate future funding requests under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). With the certification of the Environmental Impact Report, the FAA can proceed with the federal portion of the environmental review process. The FAA is anticipated to approve the Environmental Assessment with a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The airport sponsor, San Luis Obispo County, can then be assured that the federal requirements for funding requests through the Airport Improvement Program and Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) Program have been met. This is vital for the airport's continued success in securing grant offers and receiving PFC approvals.

Coffman Associates, specialists in the field of airport master planning, directed the Airport Master Plan project. The culmination of the project, together with the Environmental Assessment/Environmental Impact Report (EA/EIR), is the final Master Plan document now before your Board. Several significant development issues are addressed in Chapter Five: Recommended Master Plan Concept and Financial Plan. Phase I airfield considerations include an 800 foot extension of the primary Runway 11-29 and parallel Taxiway A; construction of Engineered Material Arresting System (EMAS) at each end of Runway 11-29 to meet runway safety areas standards; development of a perimeter service road around the extended end of Runway 11; and the repainting of runway markings and installation/improvement of runway lighting systems. Phase II airfield projects include relocation of navigation aids; the 800 foot extension of Taxiway M parallel to Runway 11; relocation of perimeter service road adjacent to Taxiway M; the 500 foot extension of Runway 7 and Taxiway J; and the extension of Runway 11 approach lighting system (ALS).

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An integral component of the master planning process was the establishment of the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC). The committee members encompassed a variety of airport users and representatives from the local community. It was considered important to provide the consultant with the opportunity for discussions of local perceptions and local planning issues. The PAC members and their respective affiliation are acknowledged on Attachment II.

The committee served an important role in ensuring success of the master planning process and the subsequent recommendations. It was strictly advisory in nature and did not supplant the legal duties and roles of the County of San Luis Obispo as the airport proprietor. The role of the membership was to review periodic submissions of draft chapters of the master plan for accuracy and clarity, provide input to the study based upon the member's area of expertise, act as link between the study team and the interests represented, and contribute to the development of a realistic and viable program. Each member received a workbook with pertinent chapter distributions occurring prior to each PAC meeting. The first meeting commenced on December 16, 2003 with subsequent meetings taking place on June 3, 2004 and September 2, 2004. The meetings were well attended and we thank the PAC members for their dedication and efforts.

Additionally, three public information workshops were held, preceded by press releases to the media and newspaper notices. The workshops were held at the Veterans Memorial Building on December 16, 2003, June 3, 2004 and September 2, 2004. The consultants and airport staff were available to discuss the elements of the Master Plan. Various visual displays were presented identifying inventory, demand and capacity, forecasts, facility requirements, development alternatives, airport plans and financial plans. Public involvement was encouraged and a listing of meetings, notices and news articles concerning the Airport Master Plan project is provided on Attachment III.

Project Specifics - Extension of Runway 11-29

SBP is an integral part of the economic viability of San Luis Obispo County. It is a gateway for air passengers traveling on business or pleasure and for goods being transported to and from the region. Over the years, the Airport has expanded to keep pace with growth. Due to the increasing use of regional jets by the regional/commuter airlines serving SBP, these improvements are necessary to meet the air transportation needs of residents and the business community.

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The project is needed to provide sufficient runway length to accommodate the departure of fully loaded aircraft (e.g., regional jets) during warm temperatures without imposing constraints such as load penalties. The project will also ensure that the airport is in compliance with runway protection measures for Runway 11-29, including Object Free Area (OFA), for the category C-II design group with a CRJ-700 as the selected design aircraft.

The runway extension would also include the installation of EMAS at both ends of Runway 11-29. The development of EMAS would be necessary to construct the extension of Runway 11 by 800 feet within the footprint of the Airport. Without the development of EMAS, the RSA would need to be 1,000 feet at both ends (instead of 600 feet using EMAS) and the runway extension and associated RSA would extend beyond the boundaries of the Airport.

Funding and Cost vs. Benefit of the Runway Extension Project

The airport user will pay for the runway extension project. Grants are made available for these projects via the ticket tax collected and deposited in the Federal Aviation Trust Fund and offered to airports through AIP grants. Applications for funding must be submitted to the FAA with an estimated project cost, full environmental findings and schedule for completion. The FAA considers the request along with many other airport projects throughout the nation and funds are offered based on various critical factors of which safety and airport transportation system capacity are heavily weighted. Funding would be dispersed on a 95% project cost reimbursement formula. The 5% remaining funding requirements would then be met through local Passenger Facility Charges (PFC).

As the primary grantor of funds, the FAA requires the completion of a Benefit-Cost Analysis for any proposed project with a construction cost estimate in excess of \$5,000,000. With a total project cost estimate of more than \$5 million, the airport-consulting firm of Coffman Associates, Inc., as a component of the Airport Master Plan Update, completed a benefit-cost analysis for the extension of Runway 11-29. Such an analysis must demonstrate a **benefit-cost ratio greater than 1.0** in order to justify the expenditure and receive funding from the FAA. The benefit-cost analysis for this project found the following:

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"The proposed action has a discounted cost of \$21.5 million and quantifiable benefits of \$65.3 million. Thus the benefit-cost ratio is 3.03 and is economically preferred."

Regional Jets at San Luis Obispo

In 2002, the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) analyzed the economic and operational trends of commercial air service by regional jets nationwide and the likely effect on commercial air service within the County of San Luis Obispo. The study found the following:

- It is the goal of almost all of the Major Airlines to replace their regional fleet with all regional jet (RJ) aircraft from their existing mix of RJ and turboprop equipment. The three existing airlines serving SBP have stated their objective is to fly an all RJ regional operation and have been accepting delivery of RJ's at an aggressive pace.
- San Luis Obispo will have RJ service in the market within the next Quarter from America West Express/Mesa Airlines and can reasonably expect to have all RJ service within the next 24 months provided the airport can accommodate the various airline operator requirements. This approximate timetable for conversion could change if the individual airlines require airport facility changes or a carrier is facing financial difficulties (United's potential Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Filing).
- While RJ's offer many advantages over turboprop aircraft each RJ has different operating characteristics and each airline has their own unique operating requirements.
- Although runway length is critical to evaluating the operational characteristics of RJ's, the airline operators ultimately decide what type of airport environment meets their requirements.
- In addition to runway length, other airfield design elements need to be considered for the RJ aircraft including runway and taxiway dimensions and strength and aircraft runway protection zones.

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- RJ's produce noise levels similar to those of the existing turboprop aircraft serving the market, less than the typical larger commercial jet (100 seats or more) and significantly quieter than some older corporate jet aircraft at SBP.
- A cursory environmental assessment seems to suggest that it seems unlikely residents of the surrounding airport communities will experience adverse noise impacts as a result of RJ's serving the market.

At the time of the study, the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport (SBP) was home to three airlines, United Express (Skywest), American Eagle, & America West Express (Mesa), operating 30 to 34 passenger turboprop aircraft serving approximately 300,000 passengers annually. In October 2003, America West Express replaced all of its 34 passenger turboprop aircraft with 50 passenger regional jets. Since the introduction of regional jet service by America West Express, American Eagle has introduced regional jet service to Los Angeles while continuing to operate the airline's 34 passenger SAAB 340 turboprop aircraft.

All three airlines, who in 2005 served over 360,000 passenger at SBP, have expressed their desire to begin or increase regional jet service at the airport but only if additional runway length is made available in order to ensure full operational capability of the aircraft, free from weight restrictions. The proposed runway extension would provide adequate length to accomplish that objective.

Economic Benefits of the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport

As part of the Master Plan process, an economic benefit study was conducted. The study found that the total economic benefit of the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport in FY 2003 was:

- \$142.0 Million revenues created by the airport within the service area
- \$38.3 Million in earned wages and proprietor's income
- 1,541 Jobs supported in the airport service area

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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS

The action of your Board on January 25, 2005 included direction to the Environmental Coordinator to continue the environmental assessment of the elements within the Master Plan. As the lead agency for the EA/EIR, a consultant selection was conducted with Environmental Science Associates (ESA) selected as the most qualified for the Master Plan project, and your Board approved a contract with ESA.

Updating the County Airport Master Plan required the preparation of both federal and state environmental documents. Both federal and state law encourage agencies to combine the preparation of documents whenever possible. Certification by the Board of the Final EIR portion of the EA/EIR is necessary to complete the EIR process for the project. The FAA requires completion of the local environmental process before the FAA can complete the federal portion of the environmental review process. The FAA is expected to approve the Final EA portion of the EA/EIR and issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

The Draft EIR was noticed and available for public review in March and April of 2006. During that time other agencies were consulted with and requests for comments from those agencies were made. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines sec. 15088, 15132, the FEIR includes a list of persons, agencies, and organizations that have commented on the Draft EIR and responses to those comments.

After the consideration of all comments and completion of the EIR analysis, eight issues were identified as **significant** (Socioeconomic Impacts - Transportation, Air Quality, Water Quality, Cultural Resources, Endangered and Threatened Species, Wetlands, Hazardous Material and Solid Waste, and Cumulative Impacts - to Air Quality (Phase I) and to Endangered and Threatened Species). Of the eight listed all were determined to be significant, **but mitigable** to a level of insignificance. For example, during construction periods, mitigation for Air Quality regarding Construction-Related Emissions involves provisions for the reduction of fugitive dust emissions. These provisions include: the use of water trucks, spraying all dirt stockpiles, re-vegetation and landscaping, covering all trucks hauling loose material and the designation of a dust control monitor.

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There are also two issues identified as **significant and unavoidable impacts** (Air Quality - operational Related Emissions (Phase II) and Cumulative Impacts - to Transportation and to Air Quality (Phase II)). As required by CEQA a Statement of Overriding Considerations has been written and is attached. The Statement of Overriding Considerations explains why the acceptance of each significant effect is justified.

The issue of airport noise was also evaluated as part of the EA/EIR. The FAA requires that noise be evaluated for airports using the most recent version of the Integrated Noise Model (INM). Using the INM, the Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL) is calculated. This method of noise measurement is used to describe cumulative noise exposure for an annual average day of aircraft operations. The CNEL method of noise measurement is used by the State of California and the County of San Luis Obispo to evaluate land use compatibility around airports. Using the CNEL method, the noise created with the proposed project is **not considered to be significant**.

The required CEQA Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations are attached. A copy of the Final EIR is contained in the Clerk's File.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The Master Plan for San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport and the associated EA/EIR has or will involve a number of State, Federal, and local agencies, including:

City of San Luis Obispo

Airport Land Use Commission

Air Pollution Control District

California Dept. of Fish and Game

Regional Water Quality Control Board

San Luis Obispo County Public Works Dept.

San Luis Obispo Council of Governments

Federal Aviation Administration

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service CalTrans

California Dept. of Forestry CountyAgricultural Commissioner

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Other groups:

Serco Aviation Services (ATC for SBP)
San LuisObispo Chamber of Commerce
Airport Tenants Organization
Master Plan Planning Advisory Committee
Various other Civic Organizations
California Native Plant Society

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

To date, cost of the Airport Master Plan is estimated to total approximately \$350,000. The Environmental Assessment/Environmental Impact Report and its other associated costs is approximately \$905,000. The projects were funded from FAA AIP grants and Passenger Facility Charges (PFC) with no contribution from the General Fund. All projects identified in the Airport Master Plan will be brought before your Board for funding considerations on an individual project basis. Each element is eligible for funding under the Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program, Passenger Facility Charge Program and State of California Aeronautics Program.

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LISTING OF MEETINGS, NOTICES AND NEWS ARTICLES CONCERNING THE AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE PROJECT

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

VICTOR HOLANDA, AICP DIRECTOR

PUBLIC COURTESY NOTICE OF HEARING

WHO:

County Of San Luis Obispo Airport Land Use Commission

WHEN:

Wednesday, December 15, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

WHAT:

Hearing to consider a proposal by the County of San Luis Obispo for the Draft Update of the Airport Master Plan for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport. In accordance with the requirements of Public Utilities Code

Section 21676 (c), the County of San Luis Obispo is now requesting a determination from the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) regarding the consistency of the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Master Plan Update to the current, 2004 San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Land Use

Plan (ALUP).

WHERE:

San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisor's Chambers, Room 224, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, California. At the hearing all interested persons may express their views for or against, or to change the proposal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

You may contact Bill Robeson, Airport Land Use Commission Planner, in the San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning and Building, County Government Center, San Luis Obispo, California 93408. (805) 781-5600.

** This is a courtesy notice of the Airport Land Use Commission's discussion of the above project. The Airport Land Use Commission will review the project and make recommendations to the referenced city or county as they feel the project relates to airport compatibility.

DATED: November 24, 2004

Chris Macek, Secretary Pro Tem Airport Land Use Commission

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PLANNING DIRECTOR

E-1. Request for a Land Use Element amendment application (LRP2004-00006 – Hideo Kaminaka) to: 1) amend the South County Area Plan by changing the land use category on an approximately 59 acre site from Agriculture to Recreation and extending the Urban Reserve Line to include the subject property; and 2) disestablish the agricultural preserve on the site located on the south side of Pomeroy Road, between Calle Fresa and Camino Caballo, northwest of the community of Nipomo. The purpose of this request is to allow development of 30 single-family residences with the remainder to be used for community recreational fields and trails; 4th District.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

F-1 Discussion of the Roads budget status and policies (Clerk's File).

11:30 CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

12:00 NOON RECESS

2:00 REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

GENERAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

- G-1 Discussion to review the progress, accept the schematic design and provide further direction on the design and construction of the new passenger terminal at the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport.
- G-2 Presentation of the final draft Airport Master Plan Update (Clerk's File).

PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR

H-1 Request to approve: 1) initiate the process to determine support for the development of a benefit assessment that will provide permanent annual funding for the vector control program; and 2) waiving the Request For Proposal process on a sole source agreement with Shilts Consultants, inc to conduct a benefit assessment rate analysis, mail out ballot initiative and provide an engineering assessment report to assist in pursuing a new financing source to fund a vector control program in the County for the FY 2005-06 budget cycle; and 3) submittal of a resolution amending the position allocation list for fund center 160 – Public Health, by adding three FTE's limited Term Environmental Health Aides to convert existing temporary help dedicated to vector/mosquito control; and 4) a corresponding budget adjustment in the amount of \$272, 078 from the General Fund Contingencies.

5:00 ADJOURN TO THE INN AT MORRO BAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2005, AT 9:00 A.M. FOR TEAM BUILDING SESSION

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Larger, faster and quieter air-planes will start flying into San Luis Obispo County airport this summer, America West Express officials told The Tribune this

two round-trip flights per day from San Luis Obispo to The airline will offer the same

Phoenix, but will use 50-seat re-gional jets versus the current 37-

seat turboprop airplanes. When service begins in July, these will be the first regional lets in regular service at the air-

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"It's going to be a great service to this community," she said

8-200, a turboprop used by Phoenix-based Mesa Air Group carrier for the service in San Luis West Express and is the regional which contracts with America t replaces the de Havilland Dash The new aircraft is a Bom-bardier Canadair Regional Jet 200. 9

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on regional jets.
Pete Rodgers, a planning man-Express to bring in the regional jets comes a week after the San Luis Obispo Council of Governnents approved a \$20,000 study The decision by America West

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> Called The issues include the market for regional jet service in the county and also what Rodgers the runway. quences," such as the length of operational

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By CAROL ROBERTS
THE TRIBUNG

The county will examine extending San Luis Obispo's airport runway an additional 700 feet to accommodate regional jets, which airline officials say they need to take off and landfull jets.

County consultants also will look into making Paso Robles airport, which already has a runway 6,000 feet long, the county's primary facility if it's not feasible to lengthen the runway in San Luis Obispo.

The Council of Governments, which includes all five county supervisors and council members from the seven cities, voted unanimously Wednesday to study the proposals in an upcoming master plan update for the airport in San Luis Obispo.

All seemed amenable to the possible extension. The planning and environmental process is expected to begin this spring.

The officials' vote came after hearing reports that all of the airlines serving the county are converting to regional jets. Sky-West, flying as United Express, and American Eagle have made the change elsewhere. America West already has two regional jet flights a day to Phoenix and the longer runway would allow them to fly with a full passenger load.

Klaasje Nairne, San Luis Obispo's airport manager, told the panel the airport already owns the property needed to extend the runway and has the money to do it from the Federal Aviation Administration and ticket taxes. Completing the whole process, including rerouting Santa Fe Road, could take between three and four years.

Sean Goodwin, American Eagle's western regional manager, said his company already has replaced its turbo props with regional jets in all its California service areas except Monterey and San Luis Obispo. The regional jets are expected to be in Monterey within a few months, he said.

San Luis Obispo would be served by a 44-passenger Embraer regional jet, he added, and American would continue to operate its maintenance base in San Luis Obispo.

"We're not likely to keep operating here," he said, "if the runway isn't made longer."

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"San Luis Obispo, Calif., to Consider Extending Airport Runway"

Thursday, February 6, 2003

San Luis Obispo, Calif., to Consider Extending Airport Runway The San Luis Obispo (CA) Tribune

The county will examine extending San Luis Obispo's airport runway an additional 700 feet to accommodate regional jets, which airline officials say they need to take off and land full jets.

County consultants also will look into making Paso Robles airport, which already has a runway 6,000 feet long, the county's primary facility if it's not feasible to lengthen the runway in San Luis Obispo.

The Council of Governments, which includes all five county supervisors and council members from the seven cities, voted unanimously Wednesday to study the proposals in an upcoming master plan update for the airport in San Luis Obispo.

All seemed amenable to the possible extension. The planning and environmental process is expected to begin this spring.

The officials' vote came after hearing reports that all of the airlines serving the county are converting to regional jets. SkyWest, flying as United Express, and American Eagle have made the change elsewhere. America West already has two regional jet flights a day to Phoenix and the longer runway would allow them to fly with a full passenger load.

Klaasje Nairne. San Luis Obispo's airport manager, told the panel the airport already owns the property needed to extend the runway and has the money to do it from the Federal Aviation Administration and ticket taxes. Completing the whole process, including rerouting Santa Fe Road, could take between three and four years.

Sean Goodwin, American Eagle's western regional manager, said his company already has replaced its turbo props with regional jets in all its California service areas except Monterey and San Luis Obispo. The regional jets are expected to be in Monterey within a few months, he said.

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But San Luis Obispo will retain its powerful place in the center

Stephanie Finucane

The (San Luis Obispo, Calif.) Tribune

April 15, 2003

That old rule of real estate - "location, location, location" - practically guarantees the city of San Luis Obispo will remain the county's hub well into the future, even if growth is concentrated in unincorporated areas to the north and south.

The city is in the middle of a big market that stretches from Santa Maria - with a population of 80,000 - to Pasc Robles and beyond.

"Many businesses and services would still desire San Luis Obispo for its central location ... if they can afford it and find the space and the permitting isn't too painful," said Steve Devencenzi, deputy director of the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments.

For that same reason, the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport is likely to remain the area's primary airport, he said, provided it can expand its runway to accommodate regional jets. Lengthening the runway is being examined now.

Still, the fast-growing communities to the north and south will likely gain political and economic clout.

Paso Robles, in particular, is expected to emerge as a power center as the small towns and rural stretches of North County develop.

"More transportation would go there, more social services would have to go there, more funding for infrastructure would have to go there," said Devencenzi.

Smaller, rural towns also will undergo transformations as they become more sought-after places to live.

Just look at the Nipomo area, which grew by 77 percent during the 1990s.

"This used to be the armpit of the county," said Michael Winn, president of the Nipomo Community Services District board of directors. "Nobody wanted to live here. Those .times are gone. We've been discovered. This is like the Mediterranean."

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In the space of a few years, Nipomo has gained hundreds of new homes, a high school, a supermarket, two big drugstores, several fast-food chains - and an active environmental group that has gone to court over some of the projects.

As unincorporated communities grow, they could opt for cityhood, altering the balance of power in the county.

Incorporation has been discussed, at one time or another, in Cambria, Oceano and Los

Osos. Nipomo now has a serious cityhood drive under way.

As a city, Nipomo would gain a seat on the county Air Pollution Control District boar the Integrated Waste Management board and the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments, which makes decisions on transportation funding and responds to the state's controversial, countywide housing mandates.

"If you're an incorporated city versus an unincorporated community, you get a whole different level of representation," said Devencenzi. "That begins to shift the power base both economically and politically."

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"Expansion plans for San Luis Obispo Regional Airport"

Wednesday, August 4, 2004

Airport looking to expand
The San Luis Obispo (CA) Tribune

Managers at the county's regional airport in San Luis Obispo are planning to build a new terminal complex to deal with increased use.

The existing terminal will be retained and converted to other aviation parking garage big enough to hold 1,200 cars and have improved access. In addition to a new terminal, the project will include a three-story

The improvement project is expected to cost at least \$10 million and is still in its early planning stages, said Klaasje Nairne, airport manager. Construction would begin in 2007 at the earliest, with completion in 2009.

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Jetting along at SLO Airport

ith 19 out of 21 daily departures at the San Luis Obispo County Airport using turboprop commuter planes, we were concerned when we read that a turboprop crashed this week in Charlotte, N.C., killing all 21 onboard.

We're not alone in our concerns.

There's a general feeling among those who fly that propeller-driven craft are less safe than commuter jets. However, according to a recent Wall Street Journal study, that isn't the case. The crash records — or safety records for those who see the glass as half full — of both types of commuter craft are virtually identical.

So why is there a perception that turboprops are less safe than jets? Three reasons, according to experts: A turboprop flies lower and thus encounters more rough weather, turboprops take longer to reach their destinations; and they're louder.

"With the crash in North Carolina, aviation watchers are predicting an accelerated demise of the turboprop and the ascendancy of what are called "regional jets," or RIs.

America West Express has already established an RJ beachhead in San Luis. Two of its daily flights use 50-passenger lets that fly to Phoenix as a leaping-off hub for transcontinental and international flights.

According to airport manager Klaasje Nairne, the newly, added regional jets are a hit among the flying public, because flights to Phoenix take about half the time of a turboprop, and a larger plane gives the feeling of more comfort.

Industrywide, regional jets are opening up new commuter markets for the above comfort reasons, and because these small jets can land at smaller airports. Some experts are saying that regional jets may be just the answer to an ailing industry.

With increased security checks and attendant delays as luggage is screened, probed and prodded, fewer people are flying. The fallout from that is one of the factors leading to major airlines filing for bankruptcy protection.

Although the big picture looks fairly dismal, operations at the San Luis Obispo County Airport are firing on all colinders — or nearly so.

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After experiencing a 4 percent decline in revenue in the wake of Sept. 11, SLO. County Airport is gradually recapturing its lost market. It's now up 2 percent over last year, according Nairne. It's unknown what that breaks down to in dollars and cents, but a 1998 economic study found that the airport's annual monetary impact at that time was \$167 million. Last year some 325,000 passengers flew in and out of San Luis Obispo.

So, the airport is an economic player for the county, bilt is it, or can it become, an economic engine by luring future businesses to the Central Coast?

Ray Johnson, president/CEO of the county Economic Vitality Corporation, says that the area's low unemployment rate and high housing costs negate interest in companies that would like to relocate here—regardless of how alluring the airport is.

On the other hand, Bert Forbes, former owner of the high-tech company Ziatech, believes that an airport is an integral — if not the most important — component for future business growth in the area.

"Low unemployment is a temporary, cyclic thing," says Forbes. "But the lifeblood of a high-tech company is being able to visit customers." And that takes an airport that's running on all cylinders, evolving from an rchaic turboprop-based mode to one that's a member the jetage.

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"At San Luis Obispo airport, a traffic jam"

Thursday, January 20, 2005

At the airport, a traffic jsm
A growing number of business people are flying in and out of SLO County's air service hub; limited space and a single security checkpoint have made mornings a rush hour of frustration
By Monika Tjia
The San Luis Obispo (CA) Tribune

Every day, hundreds of local business people rely on the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport to reach their destinations quickly and safely. But lately the airport has been a source of frustration as many passengers scramble to catch their early morning flights.

Since Sept. 11, 2001, the airport has been bogged down from 5:45 to 7 a.m. -- the prime time for business travelers. The facility is often packed as people make their way through a single security checkpoint to get on five flights.

*It's a little easier for both me and the airport staff to fly later in the day or the evening before, * said Duke Energy spokesman Pat Mullen, who now avoids early morning flights because of the hassle.

With little room for passengers and one security checkpoint, the airport is inadequate for the number of travelers, said David Garth, president and chief executive officer of the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce. Every day, about 600 people depart from the airport and nearly 600 arrive. Last year, 321,218 people flew in and out of the airport, an 8.9 percent increase over 2003, according to airport officials.

About 50 percent to 60 percent of travelers flying out of the airport are business travelers. During peak morning hours, 150 to 200 passengers pass through the security checkpoint.

"The community has grown and air service has grown tremendously," Garth said.

Airport management is aware of the tight space, said Klaasje Nairne, manager of the airport. Plans are in the works to expand the terminal in the next four to five years and extend the runway in two years, she said. The airport may also move the table the Transportation Security Administration uses to search bags for explosives to allow for more room in the lobby.

Passenger traffic will also flow more smoothly with the addition of a second security checkpoint lane, said Joan Reilly, the TSA's local deputy federal security director. The airport has requested another X-ray machine to speed up the scanning of baggage. It has not been determined if and when the request for an additional X-ray machine will be granted.

Reilly said there's no need for another walk-through metal detector because that's not where the morning back-up occurs.

In the meantime, the security line is now closer to the metal detector to make the line go faster.

"We changed the reconfiguration of the wait line in hopes that people will become mentally prepared when they come up to the X-ray," Reilly said.

It takes passengers 20 to 23 minutes to get through the security checkpoint, airport officials said. TSA's goal is 15 minutes or less.

"I don't know if we can make that here unless we get a second unit," Nairne said.

Even with the proposed changes, there's no guarantee business travelers will move through the security checkpoint any faster. Airport officials advise passengers to arrive more than an hour before departure.

"When people show up late, it makes it very difficult for everyone involved to get them through and on the plane." said Craig Piper, airport operations supervisor.

Some frequent travelers are heeding that advice.

Bob Wacker, president of financial advisory firm R.E. Wacker Associates, arrives an hour before his flight, especially when he travels in the morning.

The San Luis Obispo resident travels once a month and knows what it's like to cut it close.

"I've certainly been the last one on the plane more than once." he said.

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"SLO County airport is more bustling than ever"

Tuesday, January 3, 2006

SLO County airport is more bustling than ever Passenger totals for 2005 hit a record; facility upgrades to handle the increase are a few years away By Bob Cuddy The San Luis Obispo (CA) Tribune

The San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport has had its busiest year ever, with passenger totals expected to approach 360,000.

But the expansion needed to accommodate those growing numbers is still months or years away, according to Martin Pehl, the airport's assistant manager.

Through November, passenger totals reached 328,554, Pehl said, and he expects a busy December to push those numbers up by 30,000. The total for 2004, at that time the highest ever, was 321,218.

"There are unmet demands," Pehl said. Planes were at 80 percent capacity over the year, and "frequently there are unavailable seats."

The county airport supports flights round-trip daily to Los Angeles, San Francisco, Las Vegas and Phoenix, using three airlines. San Luis Obispo is one of the spokes of the hub airline destinations. People often fly out of such smaller airports and make connections to larger flights.

The 2005 numbers underline the fact that the airport needs to expand, Pehl said, although it added only one new flight last year: a third America West route to Phoenix.

The airport hopes to begin construction this summer on an 800-foot runway extension to the west on its primary runway. That is the only one that serves commercial airlines.

The expansion would make that runway 6,100 feet long.

In addition, the airport will start work on a new terminal building in 2007, with occupancy by 2010, Pehl said. It has been doing some minor tinkering to ease the crush of passengers, he said, such as moving the ticket counters.

The new terminal will include a parking structure and adjacent spaces that will double the vehicle capacity to just more than 1,200. Pehl attributes the continuing rise in airport use to a strong local economy, including Cal Poly and other institutions such as the California Men's Colony and Atascadero State Hospital.

In addition, he said, the county has an older, more affluent population that uses the airport.



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The San Luis Obispo County Airport is lengthening its runway for regional jets. The proposed expansion would allow travelers more flight destination options. It's a necessary move by the airport which says if they don't change with the times, they will go out of business.

The runway will be expanded from 5100 ft to 6100 ft, but first a environmental impact report needs to be completed. The report will consider the airport expansions affect on traffic, pollution and noise.

The airport expansion is expected to increase traffic, but the problem with noise and air pollution could be getting better. The San Luis Obispo County Airport Manager says the regional jets have different noise and pitch levels. Air pollution may also get better due to emissions levels that are lower on the jets.





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Airport 1000s to lure Delta to SLO

The airline would offer two flights a day to Salt Lake City, allowing people to fly to 27 cities from Idaho Falls to New York with just one stop

> By Bos Cuppy beaddy@thetribunenews.com

San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport is working to add twice-daily service to Salt Lake City on Delta Air Lines, a move that would create one-stop flights to dozens of cities.

The airport is applying today to the U.S. Department of Transportation for a \$250,000 "small commuter air service" grant to entice Delta to come here, airport manager Klaasje Nairnesaid.

A Delta spokeswoman would neither confirm nor deny that the airline is considering service to San Luis Obispo.

Nairne said the airport is looking to give people more travel options. She said the local airport experiences 42 percent "leakage" — residents driving to other airports such as Los Angeles, San Jose or Santa Barbara instead of departing from San Luis Obispo.

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ing under the influence with injury, according to court records.

He has a history of drunken driving, according to ourt documents, but no record of violent offenses.

Messina claims in his lawsuit that Worley has had prior complaints and a propensity for violence.

He contends that the Police Department negligently hired Worley and is seeking compensation for emotional distress and physical pain and suffering.

Paso Robles hired Worley 32, as a patrol officer in Sotember 2003 and he still works for the department, Capt. Lisa Solor on said.

Worley defined comment Thursday but noted that a Shear's Department investigation found the shooting was justified.

Attorneys for the city and the department at San Luis Obispo law firm Hall Hieatt & Connelly also could not be reached.

Messina's attorney, Stephen Dunkle of Santa Barbara, declined comment Thursday.

Worley and other officers pulled over Messina's 1996 Chevrois. Tahoe about 10.00 p.m. at 16th ad Vine areets in Paso Robles for Messina's father call at saving his son was druck, suicidan ad adanger) nimself, police savi. We sey parked in front of

We deep parked in front of the Tahoe and got out with his service pistol drawn, according to his testimony during one of Messina's court hearings. As Worley walked around his car, the Tahoe jumped the curb and hit him, Worley said in court.

He said he fired four or five

shots, hitting Messina in the left arm and right hand,

Messina told investigators he had not intended to strike Worley with his SUU but was merely trying to get around the patr car. Deputy Districe Attorney Karen Gray greed in court, dropping attempted murder and se of a deadly weapon larges.

The suit also claims Worley breached his duty when he shot Messina because he didn't know whether Messina was armed and did not give him the option to surrender.

Worley has worked for the benicia Police Department and the sheriff's department in Contra Costa County. Before that he was employed by the U.S. Coast Guard, Solomon said.

Leslie Parrilla can also be reached at 783-7645

Delta

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If the airport wins the grant and persuades the airline to come here, the Delta Connection 50-seat regional jet service would go twice a day to Salt Lake City. From there, local passengers would be able to access other airports, making only the stop in Salt Lake City.

Local fliers currently have to make several changes, either of airports or carriers or both, to get to many eastern destinations, including stops at such hubs as Denver, Chicago or Dallas.

If Delta comes, 27 cities that are now available only through multiple transfers would be accessible through "one-stop shopping," Nairne said. Some of the domestic airports that would receive connecting service via Salt Lake City are New York's La Guardia Airport; Cincinnati; Fargo, N.D.; Idaho Falls, Idaho; Jackson and Casper, Wyo.; and Helena, Billings and Bozeman, Mont.

"Salt Lake gets you that much closer to (these) destinations, and, most importantly, the service provides additional options for our travelers," Nairne said. "Salt Lake is also a wonderful gateway to our neighbors to the north, Canada." Delta flies to Vancouver and Calgary.

Among the domestic airports now served by only one airline from San Luis Obispo that would receive new competitive one-stop connecting service via Salt Lake City are Detroit; Hart-

ford, Conn.; Memphis, Tenn.; Minneapolis; Nashville, Tenn.; Pittsburgh; Tampa, Fla.; and Washington Reagan National.

Nairne said nearly 60 percent of San Luis Obispo's passengers travel to or from markets east of Salt Lake City.

The grant money would go to marketing the new service, as well as startup costs, including ground crew and ticketing personnel, equipment and computers.

The county airport is served by three airlines. America West has three departures daily to Phoenix and one to Las Vegas; SkyWest/United Express has five to Los Angeles and four to San Francisco; and American Eagle has six to Los Angeles.

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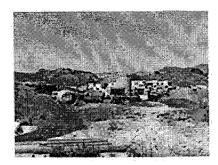
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Runway project runs into controversy Thursday, April 18, 2006 By: Stacy Daniel

An airport expansion project is at the center of a battle between the County and a San Luis Obispo man.

Jim Filbin's property sits on County-owned land that the airport needs to extend its runway.

The lot being argued over is located on Santa Fe Road, off Buckley, which Filbin has owned since 1978. For more than 30 years, he and the County have been going back and forth about how the property should be used.



Officials say Filbin has been convicted three times already, for allegedly using the land to operate an illegal dump site that could be polluting the area with hazardous waste.

Filbin denies those charges, claiming that he is simply letting a few friends store their old equipment there.

One week ago, more than 10 different agencies served Filbin with a search warrant and tested the area for hazardous waste. Results have yet to come in.

Filbin fears this is all part of a plan for the County to finally seize his land. Airport officials don't deny that his property is in the way of their runway expansion project, but say plans could change, since nothing is set in stone, yet.

"We are willing to negotiate. That's the position at this point in time. And remember, this is still all a proposal. This requires Board approval. The environmental document is still currently on the street for public comment, so things change as we go about the process," explains Klaasje Nairne, San Luis Obispo Airport Manager.

Chicago Bridge and Iron is the business across from Filbin, which will also be affected by the airport project. Employees there say they are cautiously watching as the plans continue to change. The public has until next Monday to voice concerns to the County about the airport expansion project.

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SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT Airport Master Plan Update – Planning Advisory Committee

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IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

23rd day of May, 2006

PRESENT:

Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO.____

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE SAN LUIS OBISPO
COUNTY REGIONAL AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE AND GRANT APPROVAL OF
THE FINAL MASTER PLAN FOR THE SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY REGIONAL
AIRPORT.

The following resolution is now offered and read:

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2005, the Airport Master Plan Update for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Final Report was accepted by the County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, in February 2006, an Environmental Assessment/Environmental Impact Report (EA/EIR) for the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Master Plan Update project was completed and released for public review; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo held a public hearing on May 23, 2006, to adopt the Final Master Plan for the San Luis Obispo County Airport;

WHEREAS, at said hearing, the Board of Supervisors heard and received all oral and written protests, objections, and evidence, which were made, presented, or filed, and all persons present were given the opportunity to hear and be heard in respect to any matter relating to said project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, in a regular meeting assembled on the twenty-third day of May, 2006, that the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport Master Plan hereto and incorporated herein be approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the environmental documents for-

the above enacted amendments be approved and certified as follows:

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